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SUBJ: GECAMINES EXPANSION PROGRAM

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1. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY/CONSUL CLASSIFICATION OF POINTS
RAISED IN PARA 2 REFTEL A:

(A) HAS UMBA DECIDED TO SELECT LEAD CONTRACTOR TO BE
RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT OF GECAMINES
EXAPNSION? IF THIS IS THE CASE IT REPRESENTS MAJOR SHIFT
IN GECAMINES POLICY FOR PROJECT CONSTRUCTION AS DETAILED
IN REFTELS B & C AND IT CLOSELY PARALLELS THE FORMAT FOR
COMPLETING THE EXPANSION PROGRAM WHICH WAS PRESENTED TO
UMBA DURING THE U.S. INDUSTRY TASK FORCE MEETINGS. IT WAS
OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT GECAMINES, WITH SGM ASSISTANCE,
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WOULD HANDLE PROJECT COORDINATION UNDER PROPOSED IBRD

FINANCED EXPANSION PROGRAM.

B. ARE GUETTA'S COMMENTS REGARDING FAVORED POSITION "U.S. MANUFACTURERS" DIRECTED TOWARD DESIGN CONSTRUCTORS OR EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS? WE ASSUME GUETTA IS TALKING ABOUT U.S. DESIGN CONSTRUCTORS SUCH AS MCKEE AND PARSONS-JURDEN WHO COULD UNDERTAKE PROJECT MANAGEMENT AS WELL AS ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION ON ONE OR MORE MODULES. 2. WE CONTINUE TO REMAIN IN CONTACT WITH MCKEE/KAISER ENGINEERS AND PARSONS-JURDEN AS WELL AS THE U.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE IBRD. IF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARA 2 43*53) A CAN BE CONFIRMED, WE BELIEVE IT COULD HAVE MAJOR IMPACT ON APPROACH OF THE DESIGN-CONSTRUCTOR TOWARD THE PROJECT. SISCO

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